

## California Courts Celebrate Juror Appreciation Week May 12-May 16, 2008

Statewide, courts will be celebrating Juror Appreciation Week during the week of May 12-May 16, 2008. Juror Appreciation Week allows courts to express their thanks to all of those who fulfill their jury service responsibilities.

Below is a sample of what California courts are doing to show their juror appreciation during the week. All courts will be provided items from the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), including magnets, banners, buttons, and certificates of appreciation.

## **Superior Court of Alameda County**

In Alameda County they will be giving out hard candy as well as items provided by the AOC. They will hang a large banner with the words "JUROR APPRECIATION WEEK".

# **Superior Court of Calaveras County**

Calaveras will provide refreshments (cookies and coffee) in the lobby, along with balloons and items provided by the AOC.

#### **Superior Court of Kings County**

In Kings, they will serve donuts and coffee to prospective jurors and provide goodies in the deliberation rooms.

#### **Superior Court of Los Angeles County**

Los Angeles will be utilizing AOC provided items as well as possible other items including pens, pencils, water bottles, etc.

#### **Superior Court of Madera County**

Madera will provide finger foods and serve refreshments.

#### **Superior Court of Mendocino County**

Mendocino will be providing jurors with coffee and cookies that week. They will also get fresh flowers for the Assembly Room. They will post signs/banners that they use each year. And the PJ or CEO will be doing a press release for the local papers.

### **Superior Court of Orange County**

Orange County is handing out post-it-notes printed with appreciation sentiments, along with the magnets and bookmarks. They also will provide food, always a favorite. This year, an electronic marquee right outside the parking structure will run messages of appreciation to jurors. Large cloth banners will be hung outside and inside the justice centers. And lastly, staff will be wearing the buttons.

## **Superior Court of San Mateo County**

In San Mateo, they are planning to have cookies and beverages available for the jurors during the entire week. Additionally, they will have speeches by different Judges while the jurors are present.

## **Superior Court of Santa Clara County**

During Juror Appreciation Week, Santa Clara County is providing coffee, tea, juice, and pastries in the Jury Assembly Rooms.

## **Superior Court of Shasta County**

In the Shasta County Courts, plans include hanging a banner acknowledging the jurors from the front of the courthouse, serving an assortment of cookies in the Jury Assembly Room, and offering the jurors the AOC furnished items (i.e., magnets, buttons, and bookmarks).

### **Superior Court of Sonoma County**

In Sonoma County, they will pass out the items received from the AOC plus note-pads and pens, mints or some other type of hard, wrapped candy.

### **Superior Court of Stanislaus County**

In Stanislaus, they will be providing refreshments (bottled water, muffins and cookies) during the week.

## **Superior Court of Ventura County**

In Ventura County, they will be celebrating Juror Appreciation Week by serving cookies and Starbucks coffee to prospective jurors each day. During the week they also try to arrange for the Presiding Judge to address jurors during orientation.

### **Superior Court of Yolo County**

To demonstrate its appreciation for jurors, Yolo Superior Court will again be honoring jurors during this annual celebration. During this year's celebration, jurors will receive souvenir items commemorating the event, such as pens, bookmarks, mugs, juror magnets, wrist bands, and Certificates of Appreciation. In addition, throughout the week, jurors will be treated to pastries, muffins, cookies, fresh fruits, coffee, tea and the Jury Assembly Room will be decorated for the event with banners and balloons.

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